PUBLIC NOTICE - ENVIRONMENTAL PERMIT

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality to limit air pollution emitted by a facility in Russell County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: February 20, 2013, to March 22, 2013

PERMIT NAME: Phase II Acid Rain Permit; issued by DEQ, under the authority of the Air Pollution Control Board

APPLICANT NAME AND ADDRESS: American Electric Power (dba, Appalachian Power Company), 1 Riverside Plaza, Columbus, OH 43215-2373

FACILITY NAME, ADDRESS AND REGISTRATION NUMBER: Appalachian Power Company - Clinch River Plant, junction of State Routes 664 & 665, P.O. Box 157, Cleveland, VA 24225; Registration No. 10236

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: American Electric Power (dba, Appalachian Power Company) has submitted new NO_X Compliance and NO_X Averaging Plans for the facility's Phase II Acid Rain Permit. The averaging plan incorporates the NO_X emissions from the three units at the Clinch River Plant with those from fifty-one units at twenty-one plants in eight states. The Clinch River electric power generating facility is classified as a major source of air pollution.

HOW TO COMMENT AND/OR REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing by hand-delivery, e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requestor, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. Please note this draft permit is being concurrently reviewed as a proposed permit by the Environmental Protection Agency. DEQ may hold a public hearing, including another comment period, if public response is significant and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit.

CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Tom Derting, DEQ Southwest Regional Office, 355-A Deadmore Street, Abingdon, VA 24210; Phone: (276) 676-4831; E-mail: thomas.derting@deq.virginia.gov; Fax: (276) 676-4899

The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above. The draft permit is also available on the DEQ web site at www.deq.virginia.gov.